



## Regional Service Council Minutes Region 8

**Meeting Date:** February 23, 2011

**Meeting Location:** Vigo County DCS  
30 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Terre Haute, IN 47803

**Council Members Present:** David Uberto, Regional Manager; Heidi Wheeler, Clay County Director; Mike Goodwin, Sullivan County Director; Pamela Connelly, Vigo County Director; Diana Newnum, Vermillion County Director; Katie Edington, Parke County Director; Nikki Fuhrmeister, CASA Director; Megan Cottrell, Vigo County DCS Supervisor

**Council Members Absent:** Terry Modesitt, Vigo County Prosecutor; Sam Swaim, Parke Circuit Judge; Judy Schoffstall, Foster Parent Representative; Judge Bruce Stengel, Vermillion Circuit Judge; Diana Thomson, Clay County FCM; Andrea Williams, Vigo County FCM; Judge Dan Kelly, Vigo County Circuit Judge

**Others in Attendance:** Diana Joslin, Vigo County DCS Supervisor; Sandy Waldrige, Children's Bureau/Community Partners; Jody Horstman, Hamilton Center, Inc.; Mary Yelton, LEAAP Center/Clay County Family Literacy; Jayne Frazier, The Villages; Sheila Johnson, Vigo County DCS; Bob Daugherty, DCS Central Office Accountant; Darcy Durbin, Regional Services Coordinator; Lolita Campbell, DCS Regional Finance Manager; Dave McIntyre, Cummins Mental Health; Jennifer Olston, Cummins Mental Health; Terry Sears, Children's Sanctuary; Jon Bennett, Children's Bureau; Emily Owens, Wraparound; Peggy Weber, ISU Dept. of Social Work

Meeting Minutes
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**Meeting Called to Order at:** 4:32p.m.

Dave Uberto welcomed attendees and led the introductions. Minutes were read from the November 2011 meeting. Dave entertained a motion to accept the minutes. Pam Connelly made motion to accept the November minutes and Heidi Wheeler seconded the motion. Minutes accepted.

### Budget Update

Bob Daugherty handed out budget information through January 2011 for fiscal year 2010 - 2011. Region 8 is within the budget. Need to watch the budget closely throughout rest of the year. Lotlita Campbell is the new Region 8 Regional Finance Manager and will be attending the future RSC meetings. Bob will be working with another region.

Dave thanked him for his work with the RSC and told him that he would be missed. Bob told us to keep up the good work in the region and thanked us for being responsible with tax payer money.

#### Community Partners/Prevention Services Update

Sandy Waldrige handed out information through December 2010. The reason for the huge number of self referrals is due to the different agencies giving them the brochures. Sandy told of a success story of a father that needed help. He has a job and things are going great. He is happy and wants to be a parent partner.

Jon Bennett handed out information. He would like to discuss how to allocate the \$14,816 left over before the end of the fiscal year. Clock is running out a decision needs to be made tonight. Vigo County would like to send kids to summer camp and request \$10,000. Clay County requested \$4,816 for scholarships for kids to go to the Y camp. Katie moved to use the monies for camp. Mike seconded the motion.

#### Service Providers Contracts

Darcy Durbin represents Region 8, 13, 16 & 17 as the Regional Services Coordinator. Darcy has been busy reviewing the proposals. A list of standards and providers was handed out. Dave read the list of providers and services. Pam moved to accept the providers and services, Heidi seconded and the motion passed. Effective July 1, 2011.

#### Foster Care Specialist

Heidi Wheeler - There is currently 40 foster families to be licensed.

#### Wraparound

Emily Owens – Handed out information from November and December 2010. They used \$12,000 in prevention.

#### Fatherhood Initiative Program

Sandy Waldrige – 71 referrals; 34 found fathers, 21 engaged; 37 not found and 31 closed.

#### Therapy and Foster Care Program

Jody Horstman - Thanks to Heidi for the help.

#### Clay County Family Literacy Program

Mary Yelton - Several are getting ready to take the GED.

#### Additional Business

Paulette Stagg is the new attorney for Clay and Sullivan.

Megan Cottrell was introduced as the new FCM Supervisor. She is making the adjustment quite well. Welcome to the management team.

Peggy - ISU will be having a conference “stress resiliency personal and professionally” on March 31. ISU usually has three conferences a year and they also have one with Hamilton Center. ISU Dept. of social work is still working on the MSW program. It is going through all the channels and progressing along.

The spring meeting will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup>, the May 18<sup>th</sup> May meeting is cancelled.

Meeting adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. in the second floor training room.